

REMARKS

In the official action, the Examiner rejects claims 1-5, 8 and 16 under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by Lin (U.S. Pub. No. 2003/0002900). This grounds for rejection is respectfully traversed. It is noted that the present application claims priority to Taiwanese Patent Application No. 89211576, filed July 5, 2001. Enclosed is a certified translation of the priority document. It is submitted that this application is entitled to a priority date of July 5, 2001 which predates the filing date of Lin and therefore the rejection predicated on Lin should be withdrawn.

The rejections of claims 6, 7 and 9-15 based upon Lin in view of US Patent No. 6,331,850 should also be withdrawn given the fact that the teaching reference, namely Lin, has been overcome as a prior art reference.

Reconsideration of this application in view of the foregoing comments is respectfully requested.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees, which may be required or credit overpayment to deposit account no. 12-0415. In particular, if this response is not timely filed, then the Commissioner is authorized to treat this response as including a petition to extend the time period pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136 (a) requesting an extension of time of the number of months necessary to make this response timely filed and the petition fee due in connection therewith may be charged to deposit account no. 12-0415.

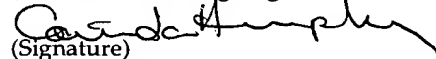
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